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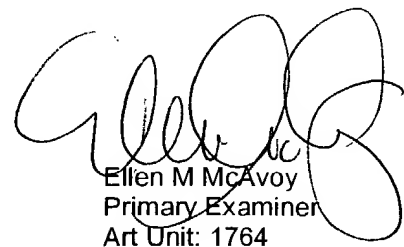
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German references 2,524,118 and 1,913,539 are not in English and no translation has been submitted. Reference EP 0281060 has already been considered in this application. See the IDS dated 5/19/1999. U.S. Patent 3,994,815 to Coleman has also already been considered in this application. See the IDS filed 7/16/1996.